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METHOD OF MAKING A READY-TO-EAT CAKE OR CULINARY PREPARATION WITH EXTENDED SHELF LIFE AT ROOM TEMPERATURE

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Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached is a completed Form PTO-1449 and copies of the pertinent parts of the references cited thereon. It is requested that the document(s) on the enclosed form be made of record.

Part I (Authority)

This statement is filed pursuant to:

(X) 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

This information disclosure statement is filed either (1) within three months of the filing date of the national application; (2) within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application; (3) before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits, or (4) before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of an RCE under § 1.114, whichever event occurs last.

Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires no fee and no certification.

() 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

This information disclosure statement is filed after the period specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), but before the mailing date of either (1) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 or (2) a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311.

Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires either the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (\$180), or a certification according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

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This information disclosure statement is filed after the period specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) (\$180) and a certification according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

Conditional Petition

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered, good cause being presented in Part III herein (certification). Please treat this paper as the required petition.

If this statement crosses in the mail with an office action, or is otherwise not in the indicated category of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, it is respectfully requested that this statement be treated in the next appropriate category and made of record.

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Part II (Payment)

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Part III (Certification)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), I certify:

- (X) No certification is necessary.
- Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a () communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.
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